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Utah Defense Alliance Update to the Veterans & Military Affairs Commission

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Hill Air Force Base F-35 Force Build-up Plan

- ▶ Hill Air Force Base First Operational F-35 Base in the Air Force
- ▶ 40 Aircraft on Station Today
- ▶ 57 Aircraft Planned by End of CY 2018
- ▶ Full Compliment of 78 Aircraft Planned by End of CY 2019
- ▶ Build-up Accompanied by Additional Depot Work and Personnel Growth in the Operational Wings and the Depot
- ▶ Air Force Leadership Very Pleased with Hill Progress to Date





Dugway Proving Ground Remote Location Challenges

- ▶ Dugway 45 Miles from Nearest Town with Support Services
- ▶ Army Designation of “Remote and Isolated” Does Little to Address Dugway Needs
- ▶ UDA Meetings with Senior Army Officials Making Some Progress
 - ▶ Resident Contractor Use of Commissary Nearing Resolution
- ▶ Discussed Putting More Teeth in “Remote and Isolated” Designation with Assistant Secretary of the Army in June 2018
- ▶ Will Follow Up as Needed Until Dugway Issues Resolved





F-35 Hybrid Product Support Integrator Basing Decision

- ▶ Air Force Analysis of Basing Options for F-35 HPSI Office Ongoing
 - ▶ 400 Person Organization
- ▶ Hill Air Force Base One of Six Option Locations
- ▶ UDA Believes Hill is Logical Choice due to Extensive Fighter Aircraft Product Support Experience & Colocation with Other F-35 Activities
 - ▶ Not All Stakeholders Agree
- ▶ UDA Working Hard to Promote Hill Advantages to Air Force Leadership
- ▶ Secretary of the AF Decision Due This Summer





Hill Air Force Base Software Facility Update

- ▶ Hill AFB Software Facility Construction a Joint Utah-Air Force Project
- ▶ Basic Facility Construction on Track for Summer Completion
- ▶ Air Force Security Certification and Installation of Furnishings and Lab Equipment Will Begin Once Construction is Complete
- ▶ Initial Operating Capability Planned for End of Q1 2019
- ▶ Hill Continues to Hire Additional 200 Software Personnel Each Year





Hill Air Force Base Ground Based Strategic Deterrent Program Growth

- ▶ GBSD is Air Force Replacement Program for Minuteman III ICBM
 - ▶ Managed at Hill Air Force Base
- ▶ Air Force's Largest Ongoing Procurement Program (\$65B)
- ▶ Program Office Growth by Over 250 Personnel in Next Five Years
 - ▶ Will be Accompanied by Growth in Support Contractors as Well
- ▶ FY 2020 Military Construction Project Will Provide Program Office Space
 - ▶ May be Accompanied by Additional Enhanced Use Lease Office Space for Support Contractors

